IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Srinath Krishnan

Title: SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION PROCESS UTILIZING

DIFFERENTIAL LINERS

Appl. No.: 10/769,835

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Examiner: Menz, Douglas M.

Art Unit: 2891

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

| 1. <u>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114</u> : (check items that apply) | | | | | |
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| a. Pre | viously submitted: | | | | |
| [X] | Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on <u>February 6, 2007</u> . | | | | |
| [] | Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered. | | | | |
| [] | Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on | | | | |
| [] | Other | | | | |
| b. End | closed are: | | | | |
| [] | Amendment/Reply. | | | | |
| [] | Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s). | | | | |
| [] | Information Disclosure Statement. | | | | |
| [] | Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s). | | | | |
| [] | Other . | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | : | | | | |
| [] | Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 | | | | |

C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims as | | Previously | Ext | Extra Claims | | Rate | | |
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| | Amended | | Paid For | Pres | sent | | | | Fee Totals |
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): | | | | | | | \$790.00 | = | \$790.00 |
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| Total Claims: | 20 | - | 20 | = 0 | | X | \$50.00 | = | \$0.00 |
| Independents | 2 | | 2 | = 0 | | | | | |
| independents | 3 | - | 3 | = 0 | | X | \$200.00 | - | \$0.00 |
| First pr | esentation o | f an | y Multiple D | enender | nt Claims: | + | \$360,00 | _ | \$0.00 |
| | | | , manipre D | epender | it Ciumis. | | \$500.00 | | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | CLAIMS | FEE | TOTAL: | | \$790.00 |

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| [] | Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$120.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
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| [] | Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$450.00 | _ | \$0.00 |
| [] | Extension for response filed within the third month: | \$1,020.00 | _ | \$0.00 |
| [] | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,590.00 | _ | \$0.00 |
| [] | Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,160.00 | _ | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FEE SU | BTOTAL: | | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FEE ALREA | DY PAID: | | \$0.00 |
| | EXTENSION FE | E TOTAL | _ | \$0.00 |
| | CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FE | E TOTAL: | _ | \$790.00 |
| [] | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2 | of above): | _ | \$0.00 |
| [] | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. | § 1.103(c) | _ | \$0.00 |
| | ТО | TAL FEE: | | \$790.00 |
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The above-identified fees of \$790.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date \$ 6-2007

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